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SUBJECT: EC TROPICAL PRODUCTS PROPOSAL

REF: EC BRUSSELS 1294 (NOTAL)

1. MINISTRY FOREIGN TRADE (MFT) REP SIMEONE (DIRECTOR, GATT/ EC AFFAIRS) TELEPHONED EMBOFF FEBRUARY 11 TO DISCUSS INTER ALIA EC TROPICAL PRODUCTS PROPOSAL FOR THE MTN. HE SAID THAT GOI HAS STRONG OBJECTIONS TO EC COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL FOR EXPANDED TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFER, ESPECIALLY TO INCLUDING TO-
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GACCO AMONG TROPICAL PRODUCTS. TOBACCO, SIMEONE NOTED, IS

NOT REALLY A TROPICAL PRODUCT AND IS OF PARTICULAR TRADE SIGNIFICANCE TO ITALY.

2. SIMEONE ASKED IF EMBASSY COULD PROVIDE HIM WITH CURRENT USG POSITION ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS IN MTN CONTEXT. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT INCLUSION OF TOBACCO IN EC TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFER LIST WOULD CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR USG AS WELL AS ITALY, AS EVIDENCED BY GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 RENEGOTIATIONS. SIMEONE SAID HE WOULD BE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN USG ATTITUDE TOWARD INCLUSION OF NONTROPICAL AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFER LIST.

3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE LATEST WASHINGTON VIEWS ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS ISSUES IN ORDER BRIEF SIMEONE FULLY AND ACCURATELY ON CURRENT USG POSITION.

4. COMMENT. COMMISSION'S "AMPLIFIED" TROPICAL PRODUCTS PROPOSAL IS VIEWED BY MANY ITALIANS AS STILL ANOTHER COMMISSION ATTEMPT TO PLACATE LDCS AT ITALY'S EXPENSE AND FURTHER EVIDENCE THAT COMMISSION HAS VERY LITTLE REGARD FOR LEGITIMATE ITALIAN AGRICULTURAL/TRADE INTERESTS. VOLPE

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